Issue of licenses to owner-drivers of motor cars.

167. **MR. REVATI NAL RAMA VARMA RAJA** (*Edavagai*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reason for insisting on photos for driving licenses in the case of persons who drive their own cars?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Photos are necessary as per revised Rule 20 of the Motor Vehicles Rules. They are necessary for identification.

Anchal Service.

168. **MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any petitions have been received either by them or by the Anchal Superintendent with regard to the delay in the transmission of Anchal from Changanachery to Alleppey;

(*b*) whether they have received any petitions complaining of the delay in the services of Anchal articles that pass from Changanachery to Alleppey; and

(*c*) if the answers to parts (*a*) and (*b*) are in the affirmative, whether the complaints in these petitions have been found to be well-founded and the action taken on them?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*c*) The matter is engaging the attention of Government.

Hardships caused to the clerks of the Secretariat by not making permanent arrangements in the existing vacancies.

169. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the hardships which the clerks of the Secretariat are put to by not making permanent arrangements in the existing vacancies; and

(*b*) whether they are prepared to take early steps to remedy the grievance of the clerks?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) All the permanent vacancies have been filled up.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Will the member be pleased to state when these vacancies were filled up?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): About a month ago.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): May I know from the member whether these vacancies were filled up according to the waiting list?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not think it arises as a supplementary question.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: What is the difficulty in answering that question?

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